

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1-12. *(Canceled)*

13. *(Currently Amended)* An apparatus for securing a telephone having a housing and a contact mechanism, the housing being elongate with a width, thickness, and length, the apparatus comprising:

a holder for the telephone; and

a mating contact unit for engaging the contact mechanism of the telephone, said mating contact unit being pivotable through a pivot angle and longitudinally displaceable in the holder such that the holder accommodates and secures at least part of the housing of the telephone in an operating position, wherein said mating contact unit comprises a body and means for establishing a connection with the telephone arranged on the body perpendicular to an axis of rotation of the body.

14. *(Previously Presented)* The apparatus of claim 13, wherein said mating contact unit includes a longitudinal slide mounted within the holder.

15. *(Previously Presented)* The apparatus of claim 13, wherein said holder is adapted to accommodate at least one of different telephone housing widths and different telephone housing

thicknesses.

16. ***(Previously Presented)*** The apparatus of claim 13, wherein said mating contact unit is pivotable into a first position approximately 45° to 135° relative to a plane parallel to the holder, the first position being an accommodating/discharge position.

17. ***(Previously Presented)*** The apparatus of claim 16, wherein said mating contact unit is adapted to be moved from the first position into the operating position by

- a) a pivoting movement,
- b) at least one of subsequent pivoting movement and a subsequent sliding movement,

and

- c) a rearward sliding movement.

18. ***(Canceled)***

19. ***(Previously Presented)*** The apparatus of claim 16, further comprising a spring mechanism arranged at least partially in said holder for urging the mating contact unit in the first position by counteracting at least one of a rotary and a sliding movement of the mating contact unit.

20. ***(Previously Presented)*** The apparatus of claim 13, further comprising a brake for at least partially damping movement of said mating contact unit.

21. *(Previously Presented)* The apparatus of claim 19, further comprising a restraining element for engaging an end of the housing opposite the contact mechanism when the mating contact unit is in the operating position.

22. *(Previously Presented)* The apparatus of claim 13, further comprising at least one level compensating element arranged on the holder for engagement with a rear side of the telephone when telephone is engaged with said mating contact unit in the operating position.

23. *(Previously Presented)* The apparatus of claim 13, further comprising an ejector mechanism arranged on said holder, said ejector mechanism being maintained in a prestressed position by the telephone when the telephone is engaged with said mating contact unit in the operating position.

24. *(Previously Presented)* The apparatus of claim 13, wherein said mating contact unit has a flattened portion and means for establishing a connection with the telephone floatingly mounted on the mating contact unit relative a plane parallel to the flattened portion.

25. *(New)* An apparatus for securing a telephone, the telephone having a housing and a contact mechanism, the apparatus comprising:

a holder for the telephone; and

a mating contact unit for engaging the contact mechanism of the telephone, said mating contact unit being pivotable from a first position through a pivot angle and longitudinally displaceable in the holder such that the holder accommodates and secures at least part of the

housing of the telephone in an operating position, wherein said mating contact unit is adapted to be moved from the first position into the operating position by

- a) a pivoting movement,
- b) at least one of a subsequent pivoting movement and a subsequent sliding movement, and
- c) a rearward sliding movement.

26. *(New)* An apparatus for securing a telephone, the telephone having a housing and a contact unit, the apparatus comprising:

- a holder arranged to receive the telephone; and
- a mating contact unit pivotably and slidably disposed on the holder and comprising:

- a body; and
 - a contact means arranged on the body perpendicular to an axis of rotation of the body and adapted to engage the contact unit of the telephone, wherein the mating contact unit is pivotable through a pivot angle from a first discharge position and subsequently longitudinally displaceable into a second secured position.